

HIGH SCHOOL NOTES

The class spirit manifested during the debate on last Monday morning was of the right nature, enthusiasm without bitterness. The debaters were the representatives of the Senior and Junior classes. Messrs. Vance Laurie and William Bush represented the Seniors and Messrs. Jacob VanDyke and Harry Terrell the Juniors. The subject, "Resolved: That the Federal Government Should Own and Control the Coal Mines of the United States," was handled in a skillful and logical way. The decision was given in favor of the Seniors, who had the negative side of the question, but Mr. Jacob VanDyke received the individual honor.

Professor Eyraud's address at the close of the debate showed that he is not only in touch with college life and college students but that he thoroughly understands the high school as well.

The Argonian Literary Society is to render the Christmas program this year and from the diligent work now in progress we may expect a great treat. We hope that the friends of the Higu School will encourage us with their presence on this occasion, which will be on Friday, Dec. 21, from half past one to half past two.

The following among our non-resident students will spend their holidays at home: Misses Inez Robertson, Edna Lawless, Lucile Long, and Messrs. Walter Koppenkrink and Herbert Krumsick.

The members of the faculty who will go home Christmas are Miss Holman, Mr. Boisseau and Mr. Harmon.

The Delphian Society gave a very interesting program last Friday afternoon. Its special features were a German song by Miss Mary Hurt and a dialogue by Misses Barnum, Garrard, Bryant and Duggins and Messrs. Whitman and Roy Taylor, not to forget "Tony." Miss Susan Barnum as the "Country Cousin" in the dialogue was the star of the production.

Extra Clubbing Offers

If any of our readers desire to club the Northwestern Agriculturist with this paper they can get both for \$1.25. The American Shepherd and this paper also \$1.25 a year.

Judge J. H. Hunter, of Kansas City, stepped into our office Wednesday while in Marshall.

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Thos. J. Claycomb to Thos. T. Claycomb 50 acres in 30 49 21 3000
Jas. B. Rich to Pike M. Thompson, lot 3, part 4, block 16, West Slater 1000
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Jas. F. Aulger to T. J. Claycomb, 60 acres in 18, 19 49 21 3000
Wm. H. Thompson to Mary J. Heard, lot 3, block 6, Eubank addition Slater 1
Clayborne P. Shepherd to W. H. Thompson, same 100
J. M. Null to Robert and Ines Stevenson, part lot 78, 79 80, block 20, Miami 150
Annie B. Turley to L. H. Herndon 1 1/2 lot in 120 acres in 4, 2 49 21 1000

Christmas & New Years Holiday 1906-1907

Excursion tickets on sale Dec. 20 21-23-24 and 25 and Dec. 29 30 31 and Jan. 1st 1907. Final return limit Jan. 7th. For particulars see "Alton" ticket agent, O. E. Hawthorne, Agent.

Reduced Rates to Denver

On January 19, 20 and 21, the Chicago & Alton will sell tickets from Marshall, Mo. to Denver, Colorado Springs or Pueblo, and return. \$21.55. Return limit February 10th, 1907. Passengers are allowed a choice of a number of attractive routes. For further particulars apply to O. E. Hawthorne, Ticket Agent, Marshall, Mo.

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On January 14, 15 and 16, the Chicago & Alton will sell tickets from Marshall, Mo. to Salt Lake City and return for \$24.55. Return limit will be January 30, 1907. Choice of a number of attractive routes will be allowed passengers. For particulars apply to O. E. Hawthorne, Ticket Agent, Marshall, Mo.

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Little Hope For Bishop McCade, Doctors Say

Dec. 17.—Bishop Charles C. McCade of Philadelphia, who was stricken with apoplexy last Tuesday and taken to the New York hospital, is in a dangerous condition. He has not been conscious since the first day that he entered the hospital. The physicians in attendance admit that there is little hope for him.

Big Improvements

O. W. Johnston, the hardware man, is having another story added to his brick warehouse in the rear of his store. He will remove the elevator to the new warehouse and then connect the two buildings with a walk on the second floor over the alley, so that a person can walk from the square to Odell avenue without a break on the second floor. His business now compares very favorably with any St. Louis or Kansas City retail furniture or hardware store and there is a slight suspicion that he is going to "bust" the mail order houses! If he does he will have the thanks of his fellow merchant as well as many others. A store of this kind reflects favorably on a community and shows confidence on the part of the merchants who go to such enormous expense and carry a stock of such large proportion. When it is taken into consideration that Marshall has several more big furniture and hardware stores it is easier to realize that this is Missouri's wealthiest agricultural county.

Rings for the baby at Mauch's Jewelry store.

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FRONTIER CHRISTMAS



George Ely Ran Forward.

THE times were flush; there had been good crops, and an abundant harvest had been gathered and stored away. The people on old Lick creek, in Hall's county, Mo., were happy and eager to enjoy themselves. The country was sparsely settled, and there was little to be had that was good to eat or drink nearer than the town of Florida, on Salt river, where Squire Clemens, the father of Mark Twain, kept a store.

They danced all night under the hospitable roof where sat old Uncle Rhuebin Reddish, Aunt Lou extending them a warm welcome; then they went home with Rubie Purvis to eat bear meat, and from there to Uncle Harry's and Aunt Ely's, where venison was broiling and bee gums had been robbed.

Christmas eve day was bright and pretty. The sun broke through a rift of clouds and the revelers were fairly intoxicated with joy. They intended to spend the night and Christmas day at the Widow Mackelroy's, where there was plenty of room and an abundance of good things to eat and drink.

The Widow Mackelroy was with the crowd. She had left Uncle Ned and Aunt Polly to look after her house, telling them that if they went away to close the doors. The faithful old servants were not liable to go farther than some cabins occupied by colored people, and the widow knew that they would answer the summons of the ranch bell. Though it was Christmas time she never dreamed that the negroes would leave the place.

Old Ned and Aunt Polly did leave the house, and a big black bear must have been watching them when they walked away. He had doubtless scented the odor of a Christmas feast. It was easy for him to smash one of the kitchen windows and enter the apartment un molested. After feasting upon such things as had not been securely hidden away, the bear probably prowled through the house until his curiosity was satisfied, and then, finding a dark corner under the stairway in the hall, he laid down and closed his eyes to pleasant dreams.

This audacity was the result of careless training on the part of one James Irvin, an old bachelor of the vicinity, who had made a pet of this same bear, Bolivar, as the bear was called, frequently answered the call of the wild. In his youth Bolivar was an interesting pet. He was capable of performing many tricks, and he was an accomplished wrestler.

The crowd of Christmas ramblers reached the Widow Mackelroy's house about dark on Christmas eve. The lively young widow led the way to unlock doors, and the boys and girls followed, snowballing and singing Christmas carols.

The widow was in the act of making some interesting discoveries in the kitchen, and a dozen couples of dancers were moving over the parlor floor in harmony with music that was loud and fast, when shrieks and screams echoed through the rooms, and those who were able to command their senses saw a monster black bear entering the parlor on his hind feet and swinging his forelegs invitingly, as if seeking a partner for a waltz. The ballroom instantly presented a scene of the wildest excitement. Boys and girls who were near windows lost no time in making their escape. The bear cut off the retreat of a considerable crowd and homed them in a corner of the room. Bolivar pranced in front of these, licking froth from his red lips and glaring into the faces of the screaming girls as if he were trying to select a dainty one for his Christmas supper. George Ely, a young man who was proud of his strength and his ability to hit hard blows, ran forward and struck the

bear on the side of the head. Bolivar shook his ear as if he were tickled, and, turning about, he seized the amazed young man with his powerful paws and drew him to his breast. The bear was becoming angry, and he would soon have crushed every rib in George's body if the youth's sweetheart had not come to his rescue.

Mary Goodwin had been dancing with George Ely and when the bear entered the room the thoughtful girl ran to the fireplace and seized an iron poker. It proved a good weapon. It was an iron bar about four feet in length, and it had been in use so long that one end had worn to a sharp point. Its effectiveness had been improved by a young man who had stuck the sharp end in the fire for the purpose of using it to take the chill from a pitcher of hard cider.

When Mary Goodwin saw her lover's face distorted with pain as he struggled to get loose from the mad bear's powerful arms she ran to his assistance. "Help! For God's sake, help me, boys!" shouted George. The bear was trying to fasten his teeth in his victim's throat, when the brave girl thrust the red-hot point of the iron bar behind the monster's forehead and threw her whole weight upon it. The sharp point slipped between the bear's ribs and entered his heart.

With an angry growl Bolivar sank in a heap upon the ballroom floor, and George Ely staggered away, to fall, gasping for breath, in the arms of his quick-witted, fearless sweetheart.

Bolivar was barbecued on Christmas day, 1854. During those same holidays George and Mary were married.

Bits from the Trees

Hence the Mistletoe.
Florence—Don't you remember that last Christmas you broke your engagement?
Geraldine—Yes; but I'm a year older now.

BORROW OF IT.



Mildred—Oh, dear! I wish I knew what to give Mr. Slowboy for a Christmas present.

Helen—Why don't you give him your heart, dear?
Mildred—The big goose has it already, but he doesn't know it.

The Sum.

Knicker—Christmas mathematics are puzzling.

Blocker—Yes, you put down tens and carry everything.

An Explanation.

"Women are naturally more artistic than men."

"Yes," answered the matter of fact person, "that's why so many of us look funny when we wear our Christmas neckties and smoking jackets. Our wives want us to look artistic."

In Damp Quarters

The Probate Court vault situated in the basement of the court house adjoining the court room, is so damp that the records are in danger of serious damage or total loss. The backs are coming off of many of the record books and others are becoming covered with mould. In some places the plaster is falling off. As the court room and vault are about four feet underground there seems no other remedy but to move the court back to an upstairs room.

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